

Story 128: Paul Wrote Letters to Timothy

Paul wrote letters to Timothy, his young helper. Timothy had become a Christian when he heard Paul tell about Jesus. He traveled with Paul to many cities to tell people about Jesus. Paul needed a strong believer to help the church in Ephesus. He sent Timothy to Ephesus to be the leader of the church. While Timothy was there, Paul wrote letters to encourage him. Timothy's work was difficult. Some people in Ephesus were spreading false teachings. It was important for Timothy to teach the people the truth.

Here are some things Paul wrote to Timothy:

“When I was leaving for Macedonia, I asked you to stay on in Ephesus and warn certain people there to stop spreading their false teachings.” – I Timothy 1:3

“God wants everyone to be saved and to know the whole truth, which is,

‘There is only one God, and Christ Jesus is the only one who can bring us to God.’” – I Timothy 2:4-5a

“Warn the rich people of this world not to be proud or to trust in wealth that is easily lost. Tell them to have faith in God, who is rich and blesses us with everything we need to enjoy life. Instruct them to do as many good deeds as they can and to help everyone. Remind the rich to be generous and share what they have.”

– 1 Timothy 6:17

“Everything in the Scriptures is God's Word. All of it is useful for teaching and helping people and for correcting them and showing them how to live. The Scriptures train God's servants to do all kinds of good deeds.” – 2 Timothy 3:16